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Steben L. Beshear Gobernor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, The safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use of special skills developed through a combination of training, experience, the use of sound judgment, and a thorough knowledge of traffic laws and licensing requirements; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky has 184,425 individuals who have valid operator and chauffeur licenses with a motorcycle endorsement; and

WHEREAS, It is especially important that Kentucky's citizens be aware of motorcycles on the streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth is dedicated to promoting motorcycle safety as evidenced by organizations such as: the Kentucky Motorcycle Rider Education Program, the Kentucky Motorcyclists Association, Share the Road, the Governor's Motorcycle Advisory Commission for Highway Safety, and the Governor's Motorcycle Safety Education Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, During this month, all highway users should begin practicing safely sharing roadways, especially during the seasonal return of motorcycles to the Commonwealth's streets and highways;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH

in Kentucky, and urge all citizens to exercise greater safety and care in their driving habits.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 18^{th} day of March, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eight and in the 216^{th} year of the Commonwealth.

STEVEN L. BESHEAR GOVERNOR

Trey Grayson Secretary of State